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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

KIM ET AL.

Examiner

GREGORY LISTVOYB

Art Unit

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Period for Reply
-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 April 2011.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 3-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 4-17 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 3 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-940)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

The previous prior art rejection under 35 USC 103(a) over Okada et al (US 2002/0055610) herein Okada (cited in the previous Office Action) in view of Haehne et al (US 5474876) herein Haehne as evidences by Berrada, M. et al., "Novel Negative-Type Soluble Photosensitive Polyimides: Synthesis and Characterization", Chem., vol. 8, No. 5 (1996), pp. 1029-1034., herein Berrada maintained and therefore it is proper to make this rejection FINAL

The rejection can be found in the NON-FINAL office action mailed 12/30/2010 and is herein incorporated by reference

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 4/29/2011 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Applicant submits that Haehnle does not specifically teach or suggest that an oxygen atom is located at the end of R group thereby the R group of Haehnle can correspond to "R1O" or "OR2" of claim 1. Accordingly, Haehnle cannot cure the deficiency of Okada.

Examiner disagrees. Regarding Structure disclosed in Column 2, line 25, Haehnle teaches the following:

1. R is radical containing ethylenically unsaturated group;

2. The molecule represents the class of polyamido esters;
3. Method of forming the polyamidoester includes a reaction of pyromellitic anhydride and allyl alcohol (See Column 3, line 25).

Regarding (2), the only ester group of the formula above should be part of unsaturated radical R. Esterification method (3) explains mechanism of forming such a precursor (i.e. ester formation as a result of reaction of anhydride and alcohol). As a result, position of Oxygen in R is determined, since it is a part of the ester linkage with the dianhydride.

Applicant submits that there is no motivation to use unsaturated groups in Okada's material.

Examiner disagrees. Okada uses a diamine with unsaturated side chains. These radiation sensitive groups are necessary for forming cross-linked solvent-resistant structure. It is clear that increasing of cross-linked density leads to better solvent resistivity and mechanical properties. Thus, in cases where enhanced solvent resistance is needed, addition of the additional unsaturated groups is highly desirable.

Conclusion

THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to GREGORY LISTVOYB whose telephone number is (571)272-6105. The examiner can normally be reached on 10am-7pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Seidleck can be reached on (571) 272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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